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Bronzeville Week 2023 opens with 5K Walk/Run and Cultural Festival

The week-long official City of Milwaukee celebration in Bronzeville gets started in an active and healthy way with the annual **HaRUNbee 5K Walk/Run** tomorrow **Saturday, August 5**. The HaRUNbee 5K Walk/Run for Healthy Birth Outcomes will wind through Bronzeville and the Harambee neighborhood. In-person registration starts at 7:00 a.m. on Saturday and the event will begin at 8 a.m. at Dr. MLK Jr. Dr. and North Ave.

In addition to the 5K, **Brunch in Bronzeville** will also be available from 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM on Saturday, featuring delicious food from the Rise and Grind Café, located at 2737 N. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Dr. and the Mi Casa Su Café, located at 1835 N. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Dr.

The festivities on **Sunday, August 6** will center around the **Bronzeville Cultural & Arts Festival**, which will run from **10 a.m. to 6 p.m.** on North Ave. between N. Dr. Martin Luther King Dr. and N. 7th St. The festival will feature three stages (**Main, Gospel, Jazz & Blues and Youth**) with live performances, Big Trucks on display, a kids' zone, resources and activities from various City departments, as well as an array of vendors and food to choose from.

That same day, Bronzeville will also celebrate **Empowerment Sunday.** Festival-goers are invited to attend an outdoor Church service on the Gospel, Jazz & Blues stage.

On Monday, August 7, the day kicks off with Just Us and Books with Dannette Justus (virtual event) at 12 noon, followed by A Conversation with Milwaukee's Own Shonn Hinton at 2 PM at America's Black Holocaust Museum (401 W. North Ave.). The day then wraps with 'An Intergenerational Conversation: Where We Are & How Did We Get Here?' – 5 p.m. reception and 5:30 p.m. discussion (also at the ABHM).

2023 Bronzeville Week/ADD ONE

Hosted by **Alderwoman Milele A. Coggs**, the 2023 Bronzeville Week (August 5 - 12) events will include healthy, positive and family-friendly activities infused with art, culture and commerce.

Alderwoman Coggs, who championed the successful effort to have Bronzeville Week made an official City of Milwaukee initiative and who has worked to build the event on several fronts since its inception, said positive momentum for the week's events is building. "We always look forward to the vibrant celebration of culture and commerce that makes Bronzeville so unique." she said. "Not only does Bronzeville Week encourage us to come together in solidarity for our community, it lets us celebrate our culture and empowers us to hope for the future and enjoy the present."

Bounded by Garfield Avenue to Center Street, Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., Drive to 7th Street, the Bronzeville Cultural and Entertainment District is wholly located in the 6th Aldermanic District.

The Bronzeville Cultural and Entertainment District is a City of Milwaukee redevelopment initiative inspired by Milwaukee's original Bronzeville, and it is striving to revitalize the area of Milwaukee where African-American culture has been a mainstay. The Bronzeville Redevelopment Plan seeks to create economic development in a predominantly African-American neighborhood in a way that recaptures the enthusiasm and attractiveness of the original Bronzeville District.